



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Basford, William C.) Patent Examiner:
Filing Date: June 8, 2001) Patel, Kiran B.
Serial No.: 09/877,585) ART UNIT: 3612
For:)
AERODYNAMIC COMBINATION FOR)
IMPROVED BASE DRAG REDUCTION)
(Amended)) Hallowell, Maine
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RULE 312 AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action setting the schedule of payment of the Issue Fee, please note the following corrections for the record.

1. The title was amended and should appear on the printed patent in the form given above. The proper title is:

**AERODYNAMIC COMBINATION FOR IMPROVED
BASE DRAG REDUCTION**

2. The Notice of Allowability set forth the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in Paragraph number three. Examiner Patel welcomed any further statement by Applicant in paragraph number 4 and requested that such comments be entitled: